

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
LOK SABHA**

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CONSERVATION OF AQUATIC ECO -SYSTEM  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the scheme of National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-System (NPCA) in the country;
- (b) if so, the objectives and salient features of the said scheme; and
- (c) the funds allocated and released to various States for the implementation of the scheme during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

- (a) & (b) For conservation and management of identified lakes and wetlands in the country, this Ministry had been earlier implementing two separate programmes, namely National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP) and National Wetland Conservation Programme (NWCP). To have better synergy and to avoid overlap, both the programmes have been merged in February, 2013 into a new integrated scheme of 'National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems' (NPCA). The scheme aims at holistic conservation of lakes and wetlands on 70:30 cost sharing basis between the Central and the State Governments (90:10 for North Eastern States).
- (c) The details of funds released to the State Governments/Union Territories during last three years under the schemes of NLCP/NWCP/ NPCA are given in Annexure.